

John 8:12-20
Who's Your Daddy?
(pt. 2)

INTRO: If Jesus' public ministry took place in America today, how would the unbelieving world respond to "the Light of the World?"

(note John 3:19-21; 8:13, 19)

John wants us to understand and believe the Gospel truth that Jesus is not only the King of the Jews, He's also the Savior of the World; (note John 8:12; 20:31; 1:41; 4:39-42).

Lost souls object to Jesus' self-witness and attempt to justify their unbelief in John 8:13, 19.

Jesus' Inspired Rebuttal
As Presented in John 8:14-20.

Part 1: As the Truth Incarnate, I Don't Need _____.

(John 8:14a; 17; Deut. 19:15; 1 Tim. 5:19)

Part 2: If You Knew the Truth Concerning My _____
and My Final Destination, You Wouldn't Reject Me!

(John 8:14b; John 1:1-18)

Part 3: Proud Sinners Make Foolish Judgments Based on Outward Appearances Often in

Connection with _____.

(John 7:24; 8:15a; 1 Corinthians 2:6-16; Is. 53:1-3)

Part 4: As God the Father as His Witness, Everything Jesus Says is Trustworthy and True.

(John 8:16-18; 1 John 2:23; 2 John 1:9-10)

Who's your daddy Jesus? The real question is: Who's your daddy (listener)?

(John 8:19-20; 44; Galatians 4:1-7; John 1:11-13)

For Further Reflection/Application: *Lord help us to be effectually doers of the Word!*

What is the main thing you took away from this morning's exposition? What do you want to study further as a result of today's sermon? (Remind yourself of what we saw in John 3:19-21).

Last Sunday we considered John 8:12 and "*The Majesty and Glories of the Divine 'Light of the World.'*" Jesus is the King of the Jews and the Savior of the World. Isaiah prophesied that the coming Messiah would be "God's Light to the nations" (Genesis 12:3; Isaiah 42:1-7; 49:1-13; Revelation 5:9-14). The holy prophets of God also prophesied that the true Messiah would be rejected (Isaiah 6:9; Matthew 13:14; Isaiah 52:13-53:12).

Many people believe we are all "God's children" whether we embrace the Son of God as our Lord and Savior or not (contra John 3:36; 14:6; 20:31; Rom. 10:9; etc). Is it really loving to not warn unbelievers of the wrath to come; (of the eternal consequences of sin and unbelief)?

If you ask someone, "Who's Your Daddy?" they may not answer "the God of the Bible (the true and living God);" but they rarely say, "the Devil" (per John 8:12f; note 8:44). Perhaps only those in the occult would admit this frightening reality. Note also 2 Corinthians 4:1-6; Galatians 4:1-7; John 1:11-13.

The True Jesus preached the pure Gospel. The truth of God's Word cuts like a knife. Do you struggle to mention the sharp edges of Scripture when interacting with unbelievers? Namely, that those who refuse to repent and believe will be justly judged/punished; Note Acts 17:30-31; Matthew 3:1-12. Why is this?

By God's grace (Ephesians 2:1-10), God opened our eyes to the Light; "The wind/Spirit" blew and we believed (John 3)! Therefore, the redeemed of God will joyfully worship and serve the Savior-King all the days of our lives! How can we keep from singing His praise?

Meditate on the practical ramifications of John 8:12 and Ephesians 5:1-21. As children of (the) Light let us no longer participate in the works of darkness. When we sin, may we be quick to repent (1 John 1:9). What are some of the ways the Light of Christ shines in and through believers today?

At our regional HOME CARE GROUPS believers discuss these questions, pray together, and encourage one another to "excel still more." For more information about our regional care groups please contact Pastor Kent or Cathy Solon.

Recently we have considered the following passages and listened to these sermon expositions:

John 6:1-15. (pt. 1). "Lord Jesus, Help Us to Remember Who You Are!"
John 6:1-15. (pt. 2). "Clouded Vision, Self-Serving Faith, and the All-Sufficient Christ."
John 6:16-21. (pt. 1). "Jesus and the Storms of Life."
John 6:16-21. (pt. 2). "A Christ-centered Solution to Fear, Worry, and Anxiety."
John 6:22-40. (pt. 1). "The Soul-Satisfying Bread of Life."
John 6:22-40. (pt. 2). "Misplaced Priorities and Excuses, Excuses!"
John 6:22-40. (pt. 3). "Someone Greater than Moses and Manna!"
John 6:41-51. "Man's Gross Grumbings and God's Sovereign Grace."
John 6:52-59. "4 Big Takeaways from Jesus' Bread of Life Discourse."
John 6:60-71. "Success, Failure, and the Sovereignty of God." (pt. 1)
John 6:60-71. "Distinguishing False Converts from True Disciples." (pt. 2)
John 7:1-13. "God's Will, God's Way, in God's Timing."
John 7:14-24. "Why Jesus' Teaching Mustn't Be Ignored or Dismissed?"
John 7:25-36. "Questions and Answers (with Jesus)!"
John 7:37-53. "Come to Christ, Drink the Living Water, and Be Satisfied."
John 8:1-11. "A Coldhearted Trap, Wisdom Incarnate, and the Great Escape." (pt. 1)
John 8:1-11. "You're Forgiven! Go and Sin No More."
John 8:12-20. "From Darkness to Light Through Jesus Christ." (pt. 1)
John 8:12-20. "Who's Your Daddy?" (pt. 2).

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